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**SUBJECT:** REORDER-ASSISTANCE FUNCTIONALITY LEVELS

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**THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231**

**SIR:**

**Preliminary Amendment**

Please amend the Application as follows.

**In the Specification**

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 11, line 7 with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Figure 2 illustrates a first environment 100 for which consumable order assistance system of Figure 1 can be configured to have a first set of functionality levels for a home or single connection environment. As shown in Figure 2, web information 46 is provided via the Internet 23. The computer peripheral device 14, comprising a printer 16, is interconnected with a local bus (not shown) with a PC 12. One or more users 48 of PC 12 interact with peripheral device 14 to obtain information on consumable levels, media levels and types, warnings and/or notifications, job assurance, and printer capabilities. A decision maker 50, in one case one of the users, also interacts with peripheral device 14 via PC 12. In one case, decision maker 50 comprises a credit card